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Dear Mr. Lederberg:

Your description of work on information access by chemical structure, reported in LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE TODAY, is very interesting. I have enclosed a copy of your entry and of mine on this subject. I would be grateful for any documents and references describing your work or that of your coworkers that you can send me.

One reads descriptions of many systems in the literature but there is very little information on the performance of any one system relative to others. Perhaps through cooperation between people like ourselves, we could improve the situation.

It would facilitate the intercomparison of these systems if we could exchange queries, and include in both systems a common collection of structures, for example, those in the Eastman Organic Chemicals Catalog #46. What is your reaction to this idea of a cooperative effort?

Very truly yours,

Dept. of Information Services Research Laboratories

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